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Fisheries

Disposal of the nets and other equipment provided for the trawler "Lady Goschen."

* 847 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether all the nets and other equipment provided for the trawler the "Lady Goschen" have been disposed of; and

(*b*) whether the coble is being used for conducting experiments and, if so, with what results?

A.—(*a*) The trawler with the stores on board has been disposed of.

(*b*) Attention is invited to the Administration Report of the Department of Fisheries for 1931–32 and 1932–33, paragraphs 53 and 57, respectively.

Nature of the experiment on fish manure conducted at the Tanur research station.

* 848 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state what the nature of the experiment on fish manure is which is being conducted at Tanur?

A.—Experiments now in progress relate to the manufacture of manure and meal from a mixture of dry seaweed and raw fish. A trial was also made in the course of the year to find out the results of manuring coconuts with disintegrated seaweed.

Medical Administration

Facilities for higher studies to provincial service medical men.

* 849 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) what facilities for higher studies are now given to provincial service medical men; and

(*b*) whether any post-graduate training is given to them in Madras City hospitals?

A.—(*a*) The officers are now allowed to take only ordinary leave for purposes of higher studies.

(*b*) No regular post-graduate training is given by the Government. Such of the medical officers as are desirous of taking the post-graduate courses open in certain special subjects in the institutions in the Madras City during ordinary leave are allowed to do so.